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a synthetic organic polymer matrix having bound or complexed thereto a contact-killing, non leaching, charged antimicrobial side chain such that the synthetic organic polymer matrix does not release biocidal amounts of elutables into the surrounding environment.

Remarks

Applicant requests that the Examiner amend claim 36. Applicant submits that all claims remaining in the application are in order for allowance, and that early notification is requested.

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a synthetic organic polymer matrix having bound or complexed thereto a contact-killing, non leaching, charged antimicrobial side chain such that the <u>synthetic organic</u> <u>polymer matrix</u> [antimicrobial side chain] does not release biocidal amounts of elutables into the surrounding environment.